



CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

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More Rain Needed In Some Areas

Data tables reflect the week ending: **June 13, 2010.**

CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Last Week	2009	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Corn Silked	38	10	28	29
Cotton Planted	96	93	93	97
Cotton Squaring	11	4	1	11
Peanuts Planted	90	84	86	94
Soybeans Planted	83	74	74	77
Soybeans Emerged	65	57	56	62
Winter Wheat Harvested	38	20	28	20
Hay Harvested-1 st cutting	75	63	76	N/A
N/A =Not Available				

CROP/LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc.
	Percent				
Corn	0	0	17	70	13
Cotton	0	0	23	72	5
Peanuts	0	3	18	78	1
Soybeans	0	1	17	76	6
Winter Wheat	0	2	29	59	10
Livestock	0	0	19	67	14
Pasture & Range	0	1	20	66	13

TOP SOIL MOISTURE

	Days Suitable	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		Percent			
District 10	5.4	0	5	92	3
District 20	5.0	0	1	95	4
District 30	6.4	0	11	81	8
District 40	6.8	0	32	68	0
District 50	6.2	2	29	68	1
District 60	6.3	10	52	38	0
State: Current Week	6.0	2	21	75	2
State: Previous Week	4.4	1	5	85	9

EXTENSION/FSA COMMENTS:

General: Scattered showers caused harvesting delays in sections of the state, but rainfall was still needed in other areas. Jack Tatum, Regional Extension Agent for Shelby County noted that there were still isolated pockets in his region that needed rainfall. Eric Schavey, Regional Extension Agent for Franklin County noted that the scattered showers in the Tennessee Valley last week did not have a huge affect on fieldwork. Most producers

continued to operate during these showers. The US Drought Monitor released June 10 indicated the state to be 100 percent free from drought, compared to 100 percent at the start of the calendar year, and 100 percent a year ago. Daytime highs for the week ranged from 91 degrees in Sand Mountain and Gadsden to a sweltering 99 degrees in Dothan. Overnight lows ranged from 57 degrees in Belle Mina and Jasper to 70 degrees in Mobile Bates. The highest amount of precipitation was 1.08 inches over a period of 2 days at the Belle Mina service center. Growing degree day data (Base 50) remained ahead of normal, ranging from +20 in Gadsden to +51 in Russellville.

Small Grains: Tim Malone, County Executive Director for Lauderdale County commented that wheat harvest began and should continue throughout the week if the moisture in the grain is low enough. Jim Todd, County Extension Coordinator for Mobile County mentioned that drier weather last week allowed increased activity for wheat harvesting.

Corn/Cotton: Mr. Malone also stated that the corn crop looked great, but his area still needed some rainfall to produce a good yield. Mr. Todd also noted that a minimal replanting of cotton will have to be done due to poor stands.

Fruits/Vegetables: William East, Regional Extension Agent in East Alabama reported that fruits and vegetables were doing well with normal pest problems observed. Sugarcane beetles were a problem with corn growers, and squash vine borer were noticed on squash. Pollination problems have also been noticed on cucumbers.

Pasture/Hay: Elizabeth Farmer, Regional Extension Agent for Cherokee County, and Danny Miller, County Extension Coordinator for DeKalb County, both stated that the rain was affecting hay harvest for producers in their area. Mr. Tatum reported that although the first cutting of hay was almost complete, rain was needed on the fields to get a second cutting. Pastures also needed additional rain due to the high temperatures over the weekend. Brenda Glover, Regional Extension Agent for Hale County noted that pastures were beginning to become dry and were in need of rain. Producers were cutting their second cutting of hay. Henry Dorrough, Regional Extension Agent for Talladega County, stated that hot and dry conditions allowed producers to harvest a second cutting of hay in his region.

ALABAMA'S Weekly Crop Weather for the Period: Monday June 7, 2010 To Sunday June 13, 2010

Weather Station	Air Temperatures				Precipitation			Precipitation since Jan 1			Avg. 4"	GDD Base 50		GDD Base 60	
	High	Low	Avg	DFN	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	% Normal	Soil Temp	Total	DFN	Total	DFN
District 10 Northwest Alabama - Tennessee Valley 46% of Corn Ac., 45% of Soybean Ac.															
Muscle Shoals	93	62	80	5	0.66	-0.28	1	23.41	-2.74	90		208	30	138	30
Russellville	95	59	78	7	0.10	-0.79	1	19.57	-8.89	69		205	51	135	51
Belle Mina	96	57	78	4	1.08	0.17	2	24.23	-3.07	89	79	199	30	129	30
Huntsville Ag	95	63	81	7	0.72	-0.22	1	22.67	-5.80	80		220	46	150	46
Hamilton	94	60	78	6	1.02	0.07	1	33.39	3.51	112		202	42	132	42
District 20 Northeast Alabama - Appalachian Foothills 18% of Corn Ac., 21% of Soybean Ac.															
Anniston AP	93	65	80	5	0.00	-0.84	0	23.64	-3.89	86		209	29	139	29
Cullman Ag	93	59	78	5	0.36	-0.57	2	32.53	2.78	109	79	196	31	126	31
Sand Mountain	91	59	75	4	0.51	-0.33	3	24.73	-3.34	88	78	180	22	110	22
Gadsden_AP	91	59	77	3	0.00	-0.84	0	21.00	-7.70	73		192	20	122	20
Bridgeport	94	60	78	6	0.82	-0.09	1	28.23	-1.29	96		201	43	131	43
Guntersville	92	67	78	4	0.82	0.10	4	30.20	3.00	111		205	26	135	26
District 30 North Central Alabama - 7% of Corn Ac., 7% of Soybean Ac.															
Thorsby	95	67	81	6	0.00	-0.94	0	25.59	-2.59	91	83	220	41	150	41
Talladega	92	62	79	5	0.00	-0.88	0	30.28	2.56	109		202	31	132	31
Birmingham_AP	94	64	81	6	0.00	-0.82	0	28.19	0.80	103		216	38	146	38
Alabaster	95	65	81	6	0.05	-0.93	1	27.87	-1.55	95		215	38	145	38
Pinson	92	61	78	5	0.00	-0.91	0	28.53	-0.31	99		198	33	128	33
Opelika_Wtr_Plt	93	64	78	4	0.00	-0.88	0	26.97	-1.47	95		203	30	133	30
Alexander_City	95	63	80	5	0.00	-0.93	0	23.86	-4.84	83		210	35	140	34
Tuscaloosa_AP	95	64	81	5	0.51	-0.33	1	23.06	-4.77	83		221	32	151	31
Jasper	93	57	78	5	1.00	0.09	1	35.75	6.47	122		210	45	140	45
District 40 South Central Alabama - Black Belt 7% of Corn Ac., 9% of Soybean Ac.															
Union Springs	95	62	80	3	0.10	-1.03	1	20.34	-6.59	76		213	24	143	24
Marion Junction	95	65	81	6	0.00	-0.93	0	23.37	-3.99	85	89	223	37	153	37
Montgomery_AP	98	65	82	5	0.00	-0.84	0	20.57	-5.82	78		227	33	157	33
Livingston	94	64	81	5	0.09	-0.73	1	31.63	3.45	112		218	31	148	32
District 50 SW Alabama - Coastal Plain 7% of Corn Ac., 10% of Soybean Ac.															
Bay Minette	93	68	82	4	0.00	-1.26	0	34.33	4.32	114		227	25	157	25
Brewton_AG	95	66	82	5	0.30	-1.07	1	28.81	-1.29	96	93	228	37	158	37
Thomasville	93	65	81	5	0.00	-0.91	0	25.35	-3.47	88		223	32	153	32
Mobile_Bates	94	70	83	4	0.16	-0.96	1	32.51	3.51	112		231	23	161	23
District 60 SE Alabama - Wiregrass 15% of Corn Ac., 8% of Soybean Ac.															
Eufaula_Wildlife	96	65	81	5	0.18	-0.80	1	29.12	3.57	114		223	36	153	36
Troy_Municipal	96	63	81	5	0.13	-0.81	1	25.28	-0.32	99		221	35	151	35
Highland Home	96	60	80	4	0.00	-1.05	0	28.98	0.59	102		212	25	142	25
Geneva_Ag	96	63	81	4	0.35	-0.88	1	25.28	-0.54	98	91	219	24	149	24
Headland	98	66	83	6	0.00	-1.16	0	24.26	-3.36	88	88	234	37	164	37
Dothan	99	68	84	7	0.06	-1.03	1	23.22	-3.67	86		241	47	171	47

DFN = Departure From Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Precipitation Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more. Air and Soil Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. PCT of Norm: Cumulative Rainfall since January 1 as a percent of normal (using 1961-90 normals period), 2008. Weather data prepared By AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.

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